

1 SB394  
2 107592-1  
3 By Senator Bedford  
4 RFD: Finance and Taxation Education  
5 First Read: 17-FEB-09

SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, an active, vested, and contributing member of the Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) is not allowed to purchase credit in the system for service rendered when the member was employed in a state-sponsored child care center.

This bill would reopen TRS for one year to allow an active, vested, and contributing member to purchase credit in the system for certain prior service rendered when the member was employed in a state-sponsored child care center.

A BILL  
TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

Reopening the Teachers' Retirement System to permit purchase of credit in the system for certain prior service rendered when the member was employed in a state-sponsored child care center.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

1           Section 1. (a) Any active, vested, and contributing  
2 member of the Teachers' Retirement System may claim and  
3 purchase service credit in the system for prior service in a  
4 state-sponsored child care center. The certification of prior  
5 service claimed under this section shall conform to applicable  
6 administrative rules and procedures of the Teachers'  
7 Retirement System. Members shall receive credit, not to exceed  
8 seven years, for the prior service when they remit to the  
9 system the contributions required by subsection (b). No member  
10 shall receive credit for any service that the member is  
11 already credited with in the system or any other public  
12 retirement plan, with the exception of the federal Social  
13 Security program.

14           (b) Any member who is eligible to purchase service  
15 credit pursuant to subsection (a) shall pay to the  
16 Secretary-Treasurer of the system, within one year from the  
17 effective date of this act, for the claimed service, the full  
18 actuarially determined cost for each year of claimed service  
19 as determined by the system's actuary.

20           Section 2. This act shall become effective on  
21 October 1, 2009, following its passage and approval by the  
22 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.